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**CHURCHILL DOWNS SINGLE 6 JACKPOT CARRYOVER REACHES \$692,859
FOR FRIDAY'S PENULTIMATE CARD OF SPRING MEET**

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Thursday, June 30, 2016) – Churchill Downs' Single 6 Jackpot carryover for Friday has reached \$692,859 after three tickets hit Thursday's six-race sequence for \$63,292.94 each.

The 20-cent minimum Single 6 Jackpot requires a single winning ticket to pay-out its entire jackpot carryover pool. Thursday's winners on Races 3-8 were Bitumen (\$14.40), Para Vivir (\$31.20), Elusive Neko (\$10.20), Sayitright Kat (\$6.80), Improv (\$18) and Taliaferro County (\$23.80).

The entire pool would have gone down Thursday if Following a Dream at odds 18-1 would have won the finale but the 3-year-old filly finished eighth of 11. Instead, there were three winners, triggering another carryover.

Friday's series of six races will cover Races 5-10 starting at 2:43 p.m. (all times Eastern). If there is no individual winner Friday, the entire pool must be paid out to players who have the most winners on their Single 6 tickets on Saturday because it's closing night of the Louisville track's 38-day Spring Meet.

Track officials estimate that a pool around \$3 million could be up for grabs Saturday if Friday's Jackpot is not hit. With an approximate \$700,000 carryover, Churchill Downs' Senior Director of Mutuels Rick Smith estimates that \$2.3 million in "new money" could easily be wagered on closing night.

Saturday night's Single 6 Jackpot, which will be paid to ticket holders with the most winners in the six-race series, covers Races 4-9 starting at approximately 7:26 p.m.

Since May 13, the daily six-race sequence has challenged bettors to select the winners of six consecutive races but the Jackpot pool only is paid if there is a single winning ticket. When multiple tickets contain six winners – which has been the case for each of the last 29 race days – 90 percent of that day's pool is paid out and 10 percent is added to the Jackpot carryover.

Takeout on the Single 6 Jackpot is just 15 percent, which is one of the lowest multi-race wager takeout rates in American racing.

Friday's first race at Churchill Downs is 12:45 p.m., while Saturday's action starts at 6 p.m.

Saturday's 11-race closing night card is billed as "Downs After Dark Presented by Stella Artois and Jack Daniel's." Admission gates will open Saturday at 5 p.m. and the night's theme is "My Country 'Tis of Thee" in which guests are encouraged dress in their finest red, white and blue to celebrate the Fourth of July holiday weekend and enjoy draft beer, specialty cocktails, BBQ, food trucks, "Bet or No Bet Presented by Thorntons" and live music by local country band Wildwood.

The evening's Independence Day Weekend theme will include displays of World War II and present-day military equipment in the Plaza, a display of thousands of American flags by Flags4Vets at Gate 10 and special honors for four members of the military in the G.H. Mumm Winner's Circle following the fourth race at approximately 7:26 p.m.

General admission Saturday is \$10 and reserved seats start at \$25. Seating in the Courtyard is available for \$69 and Winner's Circle Suites for groups of 18-20 are also available. Tickets and dining options can be purchased online at www.churchilldowns.com. Also, special pricing is available to active duty military and veterans who present a valid military ID. Members of those groups will receive 50 percent off of general admission and box seating for up to six for Saturday night's program.

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